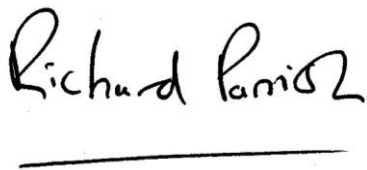


At Archbishop Tenison's we mourn the loss of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II after 70 years as our monarch. Our current school building was opened by her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother on 18<sup>th</sup> November 1959, which gives us a personal link with her daughter, too.

As a Church of England school, too, we have benefited richly from the late Queen's example of living and practical Christian faith. This was well expressed in her Christmas broadcast of 2014, in which she said: "For me the life of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace ... is an inspiration and anchor in my life. A role model of reconciliation and forgiveness, he stretched out his hands in love, acceptance and healing. Christ's example has taught me to seek to respect and value all people of whatever faith or none".

From the New Testament we learn both to grieve, but not to do so without hope. On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September we held a brief assembly with each year group to do just that. No doubt there will be many other opportunities over the coming days to remember with thankfulness the life and service of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and also to pray together for His Majesty King Charles III. In the meantime our normal activities will continue, but in a spirit of reflection and thanksgiving.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard Parrish". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a solid horizontal line.

Richard Parrish  
Headteacher